offset, garnishment, or income or asset execution.

- (k) For purposes of this section, reaffirmation means the acknowledgment of the loan by the borrower in a legally binding manner. The acknowledgement may include, but is not limited to, the borrower—
- (1) Signing a new promissory note or new repayment agreement; or
  - (2) Making a payment on the loan.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1087aa, 1087dd, and 1091)

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## §674.10 Selection of students for loans.

- (a)(1) An institution shall make loans under this part reasonably available, to the extent of available funds, to all students eligible under §674.9 but shall give priority to those students with exceptional financial need.
- (2) The institution shall define exceptional financial need for the purpose of the priority described in paragraph (a)(1) of this section and shall develop procedures for implementing that priority.
- (b) If an institution's allocation of Federal Capital Contribution is directly or indirectly based in part on the financial need demonstrated by students attending the institution as less-than-full-time or independent students, a reasonable portion of the dollar amount of loans made under this part must be offered to those students.
- (c) The institution shall establish selection procedures and these procedures must be—
  - (1) In writing;
  - (2) Uniformly applied; and
- (3) Maintained in the institution's files

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## § 674.11 [Reserved]

## §674.12 Loan maximums.

- (a) The maximum annual amount of Federal Perkins Loans and NDSLs an eligible student may borrow is—
- (1) \$4,000 for a student who is enrolled in a program of undergraduate education; and
- (2) \$6,000 for a graduate or professional student.
- (b) The aggregate unpaid principal amount of all Federal Perkins Loans and NDSLs received by an eligible student may not exceed—
- (1) \$20,000 for a student who has successfully completed two years of a program leading to a bachelor's degree but who has not received the degree;
- (2) \$40,000 for a graduate or professional student; and
  - (3) \$8,000 for any other student.
- (c) The maximum annual amounts described in paragraph (a) of this section and the aggregate maximum amounts described in paragraph (b) of this section may be exceeded by 20 percent if the student is engaged in a program of study abroad that is approved for credit by the home institution at which the student is enrolled and that has reasonable costs in excess of the home institution's cost of attendance.
- (d) For each student, the maximum annual amounts described in paragraphs (a) and (c) of this section, and the aggregate maximum amounts described in paragraphs (b) and (c) of this section, include any amounts borrowed previously by the student under title IV, part E of the HEA at any institution.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1087dd)

[59 FR 61407, Nov. 30, 1994, as amended at 64 FR 58309, Oct. 28, 1999]

## § 674.13 Reimbursement to the Fund.

- (a) The Secretary may require an institution to reimburse its Fund in an amount equal to that portion of the outstanding balance of—
- (1) A loan disbursed by the institution to a borrower in excess of the amount that the borrower was eligible to receive, as determined on the basis of information the institution had, or should have had, at the time of disbursement; or